MINUTES OF: State Community Collaborative
CHAIRPERSONS: Joel Rosch and Pat Solomon

DATE: March 1, 2002
START TIME: 8:30 a .m.

LOCATION: Child Advocacy Institute **END TIME:** 10:30 a.m.

NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT
Al Deitch, DOA-YA&I	X	Jennifer Sullivan, NASW		Steve Shore, NCPS	
Austin Connors, ARCCFS		Joann Haggerty, CAI	X	Susan Brown, DPI	
Beth Melcher, NCAMI		JoAnn Lamm, DSS-CSS		Susan Whitten, DJJDP	X
Beverly Hester, WCH	X	Joel Rosch, CCFP	X	Tara Larson, DMH	X
Brad Trotter, DHOH-DMH		John R. Hayes, F.United		William Hussey, MHPC	
Carol Duncan-Clayton,		John Tote, MHA			
NCCCP		Kirstin Frescoln, AOC	X	OTHERS:	
Carol Robertson, DMA		Lana Dial, AOC		Laura Weber,	X
Carol Tant, WCHS		Larry Hayes, DJJDP	X	Judie Ritchie	X
Carolyn Wiser, DMA		Lee Lewis, DMH-SA	X	Michael Owen, NC Council	X
Cheryl Waller, CSHS		Lynda Richard, DMH-DD		Elizabeth Brown	X
Chuck Harris, DSS	X	Mark Ezzell, GCC		Mark O'Donnell	X
Connie Hawkins, ECAC		Martin Pharr, DJJDP			
David Horowitz, TPC		Michael Schweitzer, DJJDP		CFS Staff	
Diann Irwin, DPI	X	Michelle Zechmann, GCC		Don Herring	X
Donn Hargrove, DJJDP	X	Pat Solomon, F.United		Joan DeBruyn	
Jan Hood, AOC		Robin Huffman, NCPA		Linda Gunn-Jones	X
Janice Petersen, SA		Sally Cameron, NCPA		Stephanie Alexander	X
Jennifer Mahan, MHANC	X	Sandra Sink, DSS		Susan Robinson	X

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	ACTION (Py whom and whon)
(1)	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	(By whom and when)
Welcome & Introductions	Elizabeth Brown and Michael Owen welcomed again.	
(2) Carolina One Source (Chuck Harris, DSS)	 Relationship DSS has with private child care services around the State 19 waiver counties – when a real Ecological assessment is needed Big picture of family - must respond by certain time to DSS request respond to family and complete assessment within a certain time respond to DSS with report by certain time Staff are LCSW's and DSS uses when "stuck" with issues outside clinical expertise and needing help with implementing family plans Carolina One Source as SOC- oriented rather than just DSS in 19 counties Duke Endowment and DSS are funders Could CTSP funds be used – yes Should judges know about this? Chuck will ask staff to come speak at SC No medical component like DEC Unknown about AP involvement 	Discuss again at next meeting
(3) TA Questions/Answers (Jennifer Mahan, Sharon Glover, Laura Weber)	 Laura Weber spoke about the February 20 meeting 70 people in attendance – 50 were State staff May be due to training in Raleigh Need concrete information about Collaborative and want to have answers to all questions by 3/18 training and 4/3 training More Collaborative members on the TA agenda 	Put on agenda for next week's meeting and everyone read the Q&As and be prepared to discuss

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Tara Larson – Division of Mental Health

- Tara Larson spoke for the Division of Mental Health and said we are moving ahead
- Letter distributed from Dr. Rich Visingardi, new Division Director for DMH/DD/SAS
- Will move forward on the work, SOC and State Collaborative reform will not stop with leadership changes
- Trust Fund \$12 million approved for use
- Conference call will be held with Mecklenburg families today re: future work of SOC.
- SOC is embedded in the plan and hope for more cross disability planning.
- Hate that Martha Kaufman left, but moving forward will not stop.
- Commitment Donn Hargrove and Jan Harris will continue along with pilot.

Whitaker - a report and move forward

- 2 regional 18 bed facilities with re-Ed model
- Only 2 for now money into the upfront would mean less residential
- Re-Ed model as best practice -
 - Why not more of these paid for in the private sector?
- Do not want the State to operate the facilities.
- Concern Whitaker closes no lag time until the 36 beds are up.
- Close by 7-1-03.
- There is some opposition by advocate and local staff.
- Diann Irwin stated her concern is that youth there need to complete the program and not be transferred.
- Staff may leave as Whitaker closes
- Struggle with Tx of youth is not about RTCs
- Change in practice is to fund the benefit package
- Default placement is jail and Youth Detention Centers and YDCs.
- Pat stated that Rep. Nye said that all kids come from Youth Detention Centers anyway so why not put Re-Ed model in Youth Detentions Center/ YDCs?
- Results of Re-ED 24 month follow-up strong data for positive outcomes
- Severity level of youth is such that a lot of dollars are saved by the State.
- Staff at Whitaker "roller coaster" of morale now and over past few years
- Move dollars to communities has been committed and acted up with planning.
- Dr. Visingardi Reorganization has met with staff for feedback
- Reorganization will be to implement the State Plan within the next 2 to 3 weeks

Joel - spoke about work over past year and a half:

- 3 areas to consider:
 - Meetings with professionals parent needs to be present
 - SOC is not solely a Mental Health Program not owned by Mental Health
 - Appearance should be that this is a Department level program at minimum.
 - Decision-making is transparent, so it can be embarrassing;
 advocates and others like this transparency hope to continue
 - Mistakes become public unlike other Divisions/Departments who are not transparent.
- Families sit on implementation committees
- Visingardi transparent decision-making roles –Committed to working with Collaboratives but there will be questions by State staff
- MOA continue regardless
 - Commitment has been there from the beginning

(5)	MOA statements specific to partner contribution to	Need a discussion around:
	documentation of outcomes is missing.	Do we need a designated
MOA Update (Stephanie Alexander)	Try and list the elements of what is occurring and then say there is a plan in place for the future.	Division/Department for each of the following:
	 Do we need a designated Division/Department for each of the following: Training Screening Reporting? Final Draft from DHHS to be signed-off by Division Directors – Tara will take this to Dr. Visingardi. Need names next week for starting on local MOA draft 	TrainingScreeningReporting?
(6) Plans for Next Meeting/Agenda	 Form for reporting to be sent out electronically Questions and Answers discussion for next time Discuss - Do we need a designated Division/Department for each of the following: Training Screening Reporting? 	